

# Michael Zheng Wins Big in Texas Showdown

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**Third-year tennis player** Michael Zheng became Columbia's first NCAA tennis singles champion of the modern era by defeating Michigan State's Ozan Baris 6-2, 4-6, 6-2 at the national tournament in Waco, Texas, on November 24. "Honestly, it's a huge relief," said Zheng, a New Jersey native and three-time all-American who was the runner-up at last spring's NCAA Championships. "It feels amazing to finally get it done and get the title for myself and Columbia."



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